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1 Abstract

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2 Core research

The core research conducting over the period of this grant focussed on distributed and networked optimization in a variety of practical settings, including design (such as, for circuits) [5,13,39], parameter estimation and fault identification (for integrated vehicle health management) [3,10,12,22], network flow control [28], control of wireless and sensor networks [1,19,26,32,42,44,48,53], methods for general purpose control [2,6,15,27], and power optimization in processors [4,35,45].

Some of these advances were described in previous annual reports; here we will describe some others that were not described in those reports. In [17], Yang and Boyd developed a new computational method for finding bounds on performance for causal state feedback stochastic control with linear dynamics, arbitrary noise distribution, and arbitrary input constraint set. This can be very useful as a comparison to the performance of suboptimal control policies, which we can evaluate using Monte Carlo simulation. Our method involves solving a semidefinite program (a linear optimization problem with linear matrix inequality constraints), a convex optimization problem which can be efficiently solved. Numerical experiments show that the lower bound obtained by our method is often close to the performance achieved by several widely-used suboptimal control policies, which shows that both are nearly optimal. As a by-product, our performance bound yields approximate value functions that can be used as control Lyapunov functions for suboptimal control policies.

In [27], Yang and Boyd developed a new method for fast computation of model predictive control (MPC) control policies. It has been used (with great success) for 20 years in applications with slow dynamics, where the sample time is measured in seconds or minutes. A well known technique for implementing fast MPC is to compute the entire control law offline, in which case the online controller can be implemented as a lookup table. This method works well for systems with small state and input dimensions (say, no more than 5), and short time horizons. In this paper we describe a collection of methods for improving the speed of MPC, using online optimization. These custom methods, which exploit the particular structure of the MPC problem, can compute the control action on the order of 100 times faster than a method that uses a generic optimizer. As an example, our method computes the control actions for a problem with 12 states, 3 controls, and horizon of 30 time steps (which entails solving a quadratic program with 450 variables and 1284 constraints) in around 5msec, allowing MPC to be carried out at 200Hz.

In [28], Trichakis et al consider a multi-period variation of the network utility maximization problem that includes delivery constraints. We allow the flow utilities, link capacities and routing matrices to vary over time, and we introduce the concept of delivery contracts, which couple the flow rates across time. We describe a distributed algorithm, based on dual decomposition, that solves this problem when all data is known ahead of time. We briefly describe a heuristic, based on model predictive control, for approximately solving a variation on the problem, in which the data are not known ahead of time.

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2. Kan-Lin Hsiung, "Geometric Programming Under Uncertainty with Engineering Applications," June 2008.

3. Siddharth Joshi, "Large-Scale Geometric Programming for Devices and Circuits," June 2008.

4. Almir Mutapcic, "Robust Optimization: Methods and Applications," June 2008.

5. Joelle Skaf, "Convex Optimization Formulation of Controller Design Problems," November 2008.

6. Kwangmoo Koh, "Methods for Large-Scale Convex Optimization problems with l_1 Regularization," December 2008.

7. Argyrios Zymnis, "Convex Relaxation Methods for Fault Estimation," June 2009.

8. Jun Sun, "The Map Stitching Problem and Its Applications in Locally Isometric Embedding," September 2009.

5 Software

All code for papers with computational experiments posted on-line. In addition, we developed several now packages in wide use.

1. CVX (general purpose parser/solver for convex optimization)

2. `l1_logreg` (ℓ_1 regularized logistic regresssion)

3. `l1_ls`, for large-scale ℓ_1-regularized least-squares

4. `l1_tf`, for ℓ_1 trend filtering

6 Honors

2008 *Best Paper Award*, IEEE International Conference on Communications, Wireless Communications Symposium, for "Optimizing Adaptive Modulation in Wireless Newtorks via Utility Maximization," by D. O'Neill, A. Goldsmith, and S. Boyd.

2006 *Honorary Doctorate*, Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), Stockholm.

2006 *Best Student Paper Award*, IEEE International Conference on Control Applications, for "Embedded Estimation of Fault Parameters in an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle," by (student) S. Samar, D. Gorinevsky, and S. Boyd.

7 Plenary/Keynote Talks

2009 Plenary lecture, *International Symposium on Advanced Control of Chemical Processes*, Koc, Turkey.

2009 Plenary lecture, *International Symposium on Mathematical Programming*, Chicago.

2009 Plenary lecture, *International Conference on Optimization and Control with Applications*, Harbin.

2008 Keynote lecture, *Conference in Control, Communications and Signal Processing*, University of Illinois.

2007 *Simon Stevin Lecture*, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven.

2007 *DYSCO (Dynamic systems, control, and optimization) lecture*, Louvain la Neuve.

2006 *Linneaus Center Distinguished Speaker Series*, KTH, Stockholm.